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ABSTRACT

This book represents the first installment in a series based on the Herbert Baumer seminars hosted at the Knowlton School of Architecture at Ohio State University. These publications will focus on a single work by a particular architect and on special topics in contemporary architecture. The book opens with an interview with Thom Mayne, principal of the California architecture firm Morphosis. The interview outlines Mayne's working methods and chronicles his development as an architect from his years as a student through the realization of such influential projects as the Crawford House. This is followed by a detailed presentation of a single project, Diamond Ranch High School, outside of Los Angeles. Every crucial architectural decision is illustrated with conceptual sketches, models, renderings, working drawings, and photographs of the project under construction and after completion. (EV)

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